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that habitual residents find new marvels for their own eyes every time they show the town to a visitor."

The extracts from authors are well chosen and comprise, Walt Whitman, Peter Kalm, Dickens, Stedman, Bryant, Bunner, O. Henry, John C. Van Dyke, and many others, grouped in ten topographical divisions of the city.

Rapid Night Marching Made Easy. Consisting of Simple Rules for finding the true Bearing by Means of Stars. Suitable for Soldiers, Explorers, and Travellers Generally. With a Description of Reeves' Astronomical Compass and Time Indicator. By Major W. A. Tilney. 15 pp. Edward Stanford, London, 1909. 2s. 6d.

Three methods are given for finding the true bearing of a star, at any hour. The instrument described is a simple appliance for finding the north and south line and the true bearing of any object or direction, as well as the local mean time, by the sun or stars.

Pioneering. By Frederic Shelford, B.Sc., etc. A series of Four Articles contributed to "The Engineer." Revised, 8vo, pp. 82. E. & F. N. Spon, London, 1909. \$1.25 net.

Outfitting for expeditions that are to proceed far from the facilities of regulated traffic is a very different matter now from what it was thirty or forty years ago. Besides the assistance of such books as this to-day, one can step into a shop in almost any large city and order then and there almost any thing he requires, tents, boots, guns, special foods,, cooking-kit, made expressly for the rough use of camp and pack-train, and at far less cost than formerly.

The difficulty with any book on outfitting is in adapting it to all conditions and countries. An equipment that in Africa would be perfection, in northern Canada or Labrador would be almost useless. There is a difference, too, between pioneering and exploring, and this book is devoted to the former. The explorer would find it necessary to discard many of the articles enumerated here as desirable.

What explorer, for example, would think of carrying with him a folding tripod washstand—not that this article is not most convenient but that it takes up space, adds to the weight, and is about the least necessary article imaginable. The same may be said of a "Uganda" table or an armchair also advocated. The author says "the experienced explorer or traveler will arrange his kit in such manner that there is nothing wanting from a tent to a tin-opener—from a mattress to a match"; but most explorers arrange it so that there shall be nothing unnecessary. Some, therefore, make a hunting-knife take the place of the tin-opener and dispense altogether with the mattress. Naturally, it depends on circumstances, and the region to be visited; what one intends to do; and the financial backing of the enterprise. In Africa where natives are abundant and cheap, and game is likewise, everything may be carried; but in an uninhabited, trackless country where a few underfed pack animals must worry along with all the supplies needed, one quickly learns to leave the "frills" behind. You can even make a good coffee grinder out of an empty tomato-can when necessary—at least it is easy to pulverize coffee in one if you know how.

The tumblers with wicker covers which the author advises seem entirely unnecessary, for the cups carried are good enough.